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## THE MAN ON THE CORNER.

An Interesting Character With a History That Is Fascinating.

## TRAVELED WITH CIRCUS.

Served Under President Jefferson Davis in Mexican War. Was Standing With Col. Clay When He Was Shot By An Assassin.

The "man on the corner," thus referred to in yesterday's Argus, who was then but a passing incident with the Argus man, but so fascinating with his paper tricks that we compared him to the "Ancient Mariner," has since been learned by us to be a veritable walking thesaurus of historic experiences in the recounting of which the tale of the ancient mariner is not in it.

The old gentleman who entertains you in passing with his paper exhibition is indeed more interesting in conversation than is his tricks. He gives his name as F. D. King, of Chicago, but a native of Connecticut, and a veteran of the Mexican war, who saw service directly under Jefferson Davis, as a member of the Third Kentucky Rifles, in which he enlisted in 1845.

In conversation with Mr. King this morning he told us that as a boy in his teens he rode on the first railroad train ever run in this country, and then we drifted into his Mexican war record. "The body of troops to which I belonged," said Mr. King, "reached Corpus Christi not long after the departure from Kentucky, and marched on to Brownsville. The first real engagement of note was on May 8, 1846, at Paloalto. Later we crossed the Rio Grande into Mexico. Near Monterey a stop of nearly six months was made, followed by the capture of that place. It was here that Col. Clay, a son of Henry Clay, was killed—shot from ambush by an assassin, while standing on the plaza, within a few feet of me, after the fighting was all over and terms of peace had been agreed upon. It was a dastardly deed, and every effort was made to detect the assassin, but without success.

"At Buena Vista, in February of 1847, Jeff Davis formed his celebrated 'V,' considered bad but proving extremely good. I was mustered out at St. Louis, and went out to California in 1849. This trip was not in search of gold, but on contract work for sketches of the overland route. While in the government service I made sketches of the famous Yellowstone park. I saw no active service during the Civil War. Outside of my work for the government, I am better known as the 'paper king.' This came from my connection with various big shows of the country, and as manager of Barnum & Bailey's immense shows. I traveled throughout the country, visiting also many foreign countries. At the age of twelve I gave exhibitions with the first elephant ever brought to the United States.

"Take the map of the United States and look at its network of railroads. I have traversed quite all of them in my circus exploits."

Mr. King was born in 1822, but does not look a day over 70, and would readily pass for sixty-five.

## Prohibition Killed in South Carolina.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 16.—After a sensational filibuster lasting several days it appears that prohibition has been killed in this state. The Senate has a majority of four for local option the House is equally close.

The local option forces in the House are well organized to demand roll calls on hundreds of amendments. The General Assembly will adjourn Saturday, which means that the prohibition movement will fail, without a special session, which is practically impossible.

The report of another Vanderbilt divorce case is accepted as a matter of course, and it attracts little attention either in the papers or out of them.

## NEWS OF TODAY.

### Gleaned and Boiled Down for Busy Readers.

Father Carroll, formerly of Philadelphia, was yesterday consecrated Bishop, of Vigau with impressive ceremonies at the Manila Cathedral in the presence of scores of clergy and an immense congregation.

Robert Fleming was shot and killed yesterday by Frank Penton in Johnson's restaurant, Milton, Fla. The tragedy was caused by an old grudge. The jury rendered a verdict of justifiable homicide.

The Hotel Clarendon, at Seabreeze, one of the largest resort hotels on the east coast of Florida, together with ten cottages adjoining the house, was destroyed by fire at 5:30 yesterday morning, the 215 guests, who were asleep at the time, being saved without injury, and many being able to gather up most of their belongings.

A storm struck Learned, Miss., yesterday afternoon with terrific force, blowing down a negro church, killing Dick Farris' wife and one child of Maggie Bennett, and injuring eight or ten. About seventy-five persons were in the building at the time. If it had not been for the arched ceiling they would all probably have been killed.

The international tuberculosis exhibition which formally opened today is already in place and was visited today by many nurses and school teachers. An exhaustive programme has been arranged for the coming week each day being devoted to some particular phase of the evil or its remedy.

Bishop E. E. Hess, of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, who went to Baltimore from Nashville, Tenn., early last week for medical treatment, was taken to Johns Hopkins Hospital yesterday. It is expected that he will be operated upon tomorrow. Bishop Hess faces the ordeal he is to undergo courageously, despite its seriousness, and as he possesses a good constitution strong hopes are expressed for his complete recovery.

Half way across the Atlantic ocean on the last long reach of their spectacular cruise around the world, the sixteen battleships of the "United States Atlantic Fleet" are steaming today in leisurely fashion towards the anchorage grounds at Hampton Roads, where they sailed just fourteen months ago. During these months of record steaming the heavily armored fighting vessels have traveled approximately 45,000 miles and are returning in condition still fit for "a frolic or a fight."

A bill is being drawn for introduction in the general assembly for the issuance of \$7500,000 bonds for the erection of a splendid fireproof State office building to extend along Edenton street from Salisbury to Halifax street in Raleigh, the sites of the present Supreme Court and Agricultural buildings, both of which are under condemnation as inadequate and really unsafe, besides being veritable fire-traps, exposing to hourly danger of destruction by fire the valuable Supreme Court and State libraries, the State Museum, Hall of History and State records generally. This movement for the office building has a strong following, and if it accomplishes anything else at this session, it will likely kill the movement for the bonds to enlarge the present State House, a thing that is bitterly opposed by very many people who insist that this splendid old building is already complete and that the proposed enlargement would be the most flagrant destruction of one of the State's most splendid heritages in art and history.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MET ON MONDAY

### Outlined Plan to Raise \$1,000 for the McIver Memorial Fund.

The executive committee of the Wayne County McIver Memorial Association met yesterday afternoon in this city to outline plans for the work in the county. The Association is expected to raise \$1,000 as its share of the McIver Memorial Fund, which will be used to educate young women at the Greensboro Normal College.

The Association is composed of alumnae of this college. The executive committee of the county association is composed of Mrs. W. R. Hollowell, Miss Hattie O'Berry, of Dudley; Miss Minnie McWhorter, of Mt. Olive, and Miss Ivor Aycock, of Fremont.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR MINERAL WATER

### Legislature Hears Bill To Increase Pension of Veterans.

## FOR NEW BOND ISSUE.

### Mineral Spring Owners and Dealers Are to be Taxed According to the Output of Their Springs.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 16.—In the House the Senate bill to provide diphtheria anti-toxine for the indigent was reported favorably. Grant's bill to provide seats for working women in the stores, mills, etc., was also reported favorably. Grant's bill to prevent blacklisting of employees also received a favorable report.

The Senate yesterday passed a bill prepared by the secretary of the State Board of Health to insure to the public pure mineral water. It provides for analysis of all waters sold in bottle or other package and of all spring waters that are maintained and treated as an adjunct to any hotel, park or resort, to be made by the State Laboratory of Hygiene. The bill imposes a graduated tax on the springs or wells based on the gross annual sales, fifty dollars on the concern whose sales amount to \$1,500 and less than \$2,000, and down to fifteen dollars on the concern whose sales amount to less than \$250. A tax of fifteen dollars is placed on every spring that is maintained as an adjunct to any hotel, park or resort for the entertainment of the public. A tax of sixty-four dollars is imposed upon every person, firm or corporation not a citizen of North Carolina who shall sell or offer for sale any water in bottle or other package for consumption by the people of this State.

The House yesterday deferred until Monday, February 22, consideration of the Empe (Senate) bill to prohibit the sale of quail and grouse for a period of two years. The bill prohibits the killing of more than fifteen birds by any person in one day.

Mr. Koonce introduced in the House a bill to increase the pension appropriation for Confederate veterans from \$400,000 to \$500,000, and Mr. Barnes, of Hertford, presented a bill providing for a half million dollar bond issue for enlarging and improving the State Capitol. An important bill by Speaker Graham would establish a State Drug Commission, so as to prevent the sale of deleterious drugs. Mr. Morton introduced a bill to regulate the manufacture and sale of non-alcoholic malt beverages in North Carolina.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 15.—At the trial of Col. Duncan B. Cooper, Robin J. Cooper and John D. Sharp for the slaying of former Senator Edward W. Carmack, the factions are figuratively resting on their arms. Most of the witnesses for the State, who are from a distance, are in the city. Others are on the way. Mrs. E. W. Carmack, wife of the slain editor, arrived tonight and will sit behind the attorneys for the State. Sam C. Carmack, a cousin, are now here.

The State proposes to establish first the death of Senator Carmack by the eye-witnesses. Then it will begin to lay the foundation for its theory that the killing was the result of a conspiracy. Just at this point will come the big legal battle of the trial. The defense proposes to fight this contention from the start. The laws of Tennessee upon conspiracy are said to be very liberal once the groundwork is laid, but this foundation must be very strong.

## FOR MAYOR.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Mayor of the City of Goldshoro, subject to the rules and regulations of the Democratic primaries. Should the good people of this city see fit to elect me, I can assure them that no stone will be left unturned as to the duties of this high office.

J. R. HIGGINS.

A stingy man is always poor.

## THE SOUTH AND THE CANAL.

### There Is Every Reason Why the People of This Section Should Encourage the Work.

In his banquet speech in New Orleans Friday evening, President-elect Taft expressed himself as being much gratified over the work that has been done in the canal zone, and assured his hearers that the undertaking would be carried to a successful finish in a reasonable time. The speaker said that when the men down there who are working tooth and toenail to do the work get partial reports of those "who are talking duncombe on the floor of the Congress, it is calculated to disturb the best conditions there."

The cost was to be greater than originally estimated, he said, but the amount of excavation had been increased 50 per cent. The locks had been made larger on the request of the navy "because we are building the canal to double the efficiency of our navy."

"With a full understanding of the weight of the words I use, I wish to say and to challenge any evidence to the contrary," said Mr. Taft, with great emphasis, "that the money which has been expended on that canal, every dollar and every cent of it, has been expended in the interest of the government and not one dollar has been traced to graft in any way."

There is no doubt that there has been a great deal too much ill-advised talk in and out of Congress about the work on the canal. Much of this talk has arisen from ignorance of the nature and extent of the undertaking, and no little of it has grown out of a desire on the part of some congressmen to play politics. On the whole there has been more politics than patriotism manifested in both houses of Congress towards the work of building the canal.

It is unquestionably true, as President-elect Taft says, that this discouraging talk for political or other purposes is calculated to do harm. It is more or less a handicap to the men who are bearing the brunt of the task. There is no doubt in the minds of the engineers who are in position to know that the canal will be built and well built, and there is not a shadow of doubt that it will be one of the greatest moves ever undertaken for this country. The people of New Orleans and the Gulf states realize the value of the canal to them and their interests. The words of President-elect Taft sounded as so much music to them.

The canal will be of inestimable value to the whole South, and there is every reason why the people of the South should encourage the work in every possible way, and take no stock in the efforts of those who are undertaking to spread disparaging reports for political or other purposes and motives.

## GREAT POLITICAL SERIAL STORY BEGINS TODAY.

### The First Number of "The Gentleman From Mississippi" Published in The Argus.

With today's issue of the Argus the initial chapters of that great political story, "The Gentleman From Mississippi" appears in serial form. The story is one rich in romance, political intrigue and everyday issues, and will appeal to all readers of this paper. Do not miss the first chapter and you will thoroughly enjoy this great novelized drama.

## Fayetteville to Come In.

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 15.—At a meeting of baseball enthusiasts held here Saturday evening, at which the Eastern Carolina League was represented by R. H. Gwaltney, of Wilmington, it was decided that Fayetteville would make application for membership in the Eastern Carolina League at the directors' meeting, to be held at Goldshoro today. It is thought here that Fayetteville has a good chance for admission to the league.

## Graded School Concert.

The Graded School Concert promises to be the best entertainment ever given by the children of Goldshoro. The children are rehearsing daily for the entertainment, and both pupils and teachers are working hard to make it a success.

Let everybody, young and old, attend the performance in the Opera House next Saturday night at 8 o'clock. Admission is 25 cents for all.

A plaster is small amends for a broken head.

## MR. BEALL INVESTS IN FACTORY IN GOLDSBORO

### Durham Business Man Purchased Three Lots in New Section.

## TAKES OPTION ON FIFTEEN.

### Manager E. T. Oliver Pleased With Progress on Trolley Line. Its Future Depends Upon Local Interest.

The estimate that outsiders place upon the sterling qualities of Goldshoro and investments in the new section of this growing town was displayed this morning, when Mr. George H. Beall, of Durham, accompanied Manager E. T. Oliver, of the Goldshoro Traction Company, to this city and purchased three lots in that beautiful residential section of the city, East Goldshoro.

Mr. Beall was so thoroughly impressed with the future of East Goldshoro that he secured the option on fifteen lots for his friends in Durham. This is a great compliment to Mr. Oliver and his upbuilding of this new section of the city.

During his visit in the city, Mr. Oliver stated that the work on the trolley line would be rapidly pushed forward until completed. Many capitalists interested in the project have visited the city and found the investment a good one, if the line never extends any further than from the Union station to East Goldshoro, but it is a certainty that our people will not stop at Reville park, but will go forward until Seven Springs may be reached by trolley, and the trade of that beautiful health resort and section secured for Goldshoro.

It is the estimate of many that the trolley project will stimulate business in Goldshoro more than anything else that could have been started in the city.

## OIL DISCOVERED NEAR KINSTON.

### Two Young Men Made Valuable Discovery Along the Neuse.

A few days ago the Kinston Free Press published a short item telling of a discovery of oil on the banks of the Neuse river, near there. Saturday's issue contained the following additional information:

"The reporter received fuller information of the recent discovery of oil along the banks of the Neuse above Kinston, several days ago. Mr. X. Jackson and Mr. Ernest Lee were boating. Mr. Jackson noticed a little stream flowing from the side of the bank and they rowed up to it to secure drinking water, and to their surprise discovered that it was oily. So Mr. Jackson secured a pint bottle of the liquid and sent it to the State chemist at Raleigh, to be analyzed. Yesterday he received word from the chemist that the liquid was 90 per cent petroleum. The flow is small, a rather tiny stream trickling down the bank, but it is oil all right, and the discoverers say that the stream flows steadily. They intend to investigate further and for the present refuse to make public their plans."

## The World's Way.

This was overheard in the lobby of a big hotel in Detroit when a busload of traveling salesmen came from the station. Every man of them, as he signed the register, paused to shake hands with the hotel clerk—fatherly old fellow who had been there many years. "Ah," said one of them to the clerk, "it's a good thing you're still on deck, Uncle Dave; I don't think the house could run without you." "Couldn't it, though!" said Uncle Dave. "Yor fellows would come in here, and if there was a strang' clerk you'd say, 'Where's Uncle Dave?' And the clerk would say, 'Why didn't you hear? He died a month ago.' And then you'd say, 'Well, I'll be darned! That's too bad. Say, when'll dinner be ready?'"—Detroit News.

The Daughters of the Confederacy will meet in regular session Friday at the home of Mrs. W. H. Cobb.

## PROGRAM OF THE CONSERVATION CONFERENCE

### Representatives From All Parts of North America to Meet on Thursday.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The program of the North American Conservation Conference, which opens in Washington on February 18, has been completed and the main features of it have just been made public. The President will receive the Canadian and Mexican commissioners at 10 o'clock on Thursday morning in the East room of the White House. The members of the cabinet and of the National Conservation Commission will be present. The Canadians and Mexicans will be presented to the President by Secretary of State Bacon. This session will be wholly informal and brief. At its conclusion the conference will proceed to the diplomatic room of the State Department, where the regular sessions will be held. It is probable that the remainder of the morning will be taken up with formal addresses of welcome and responses of visitors. In the afternoon the conference will take up its work in earnest. It is expected that the sessions will continue the remainder of the week.

The evenings of the foreign delegates will be very fully occupied with various social functions that have been arranged by their compatriots and government officers in Washington.

The personnel of the delegations from Canada and Mexico guarantee the accomplishment of real results from the conference, for all members are experts in the natural resources of their countries.

Canada will be represented by the Honorable Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture of the Dominion; the Hon. Clifford Sifton, Ex-Minister of the Interior, under whose administration many of the regulations concerning the use of Canada's resources were adopted, and Dr. Henri S. Beland, a member of the Canadian Parliament, who is a well-known authority on these subjects. The Canadian delegation will also be accompanied by Robert E. Young, land expert in the Canadian Department of the Interior, who will act as its secretary.

To represent Mexico, President Diaz has sent Romulo Escobar, Manuel A. DeQuavedo, and Carlos Sollierer. Senor Escobar, who heads the delegation, is one of the foremost authorities in Mexico on the agriculture of the country. He has been at different times minister of the Department of Agriculture and of the Department of Forestry. With his brother, he edits the farm paper El Agricultor Mexicano, and he presented a paper on "Agriculture in Mexico" at the time of the St. Louis Exposition. Senor De Quevedo is the present Minister of Forestry.

## STOMACH AGONY

### Abolish the Cause, and Misery and Distress of Indigestion Will Vanish.

Can indigestion be cured? Hundreds of thousands of people who suffer from belching of gas; biliousness, sour stomach, fullness, nausea, shortness of breath, bad taste in mouth, foul breath, nervousness and other distress symptoms, are asking themselves that question daily.

And if these same doubting dyspeptics could only read the thousands of sincere letters from people who once suffered as badly as they do now, but have been quickly and permanently cured by the use of Mi-o-na, the mighty dyspepsia remedy that cures by removing the cause, they would go to J. H. Hill & Son this very day and get a large box of Mi-o-na tablets, and start themselves on the right road to health at once.

The price of Mi-o-na tablets is only 50 cents, and J. H. Hill & Son guarantees them to cure indigestion, or money back.

Thin or lean or scrawney people will find in Mi-o-na a maker of flesh and blood, because it causes the stomach to extract more nutritious matter from the food, which quickly enriches the blood.

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